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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of Mission C198C

1. General: Mission C198C was alerted on 5 November 1968. This was a round robin mission flown out of [redacted] designed to remain 20 miles off shore. Launch and recovery was made on 7 November 1968. Pilot was [redacted] This was his second operational mission.

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Preplanned Mission Data:

Distance	2177 NM
Time to Landing	6+00 Hours
Mission Profile	Maximum Altitude
Take-off Fuel	1320 Gallons
Fuel Reserve at Hi Cone	180 Gallons

Targets: This mission was designed for use of the "H" Camera Configuration to obtain photo coverage of 26 COMIREX targets. Route for this sortie was planned to obtain photographs of coastal targets from the Port Arthur area, along the Shantung Peninsula, then south along the China mainland to a point northeast of the island of Matsu.

2. Actual Mission Data: Take off was at 0123Z and landing at 0742Z for a mission duration of 6+19 hours.

a. Target Coverage:

(1) Of the 26 programmed COMIREX targets, 17

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Excluded from automatic
downgrading and
declassification

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were covered with photo interpretability ranging from poor to fair.

(2) There were 68 bonus COMIREX targets photographed on this mission.

(3) Fourteen bonus non-COMIREX targets were photographed as well.

b. Weather along the route was forecast to be Category I and II (0 to 2/8 cloud cover) with patches of cumulus and cirrus clouds. The pilot reported the first two flight lines to be Category V (7/8 to 8/8 cloud cover) with the rest of the route clear. There was light haze present throughout the mission.

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6. Photo Analysis: Of the 99 total targets covered, 24 were considered fair and the remaining 75 were rated poor on interpretability. Overall quality was fair with 20% cloud cover. Degradation was attributed to obliquity and haze with clouds being a contributing factor in some instances. Tracker clock was four minutes fifty seconds slow at landing and was erratic throughout the mission.

7. Maintenance: Article 385 was flown on this mission. With the exception of minor autopilot and one sextant write up. There were no aircraft or instrument discrepancies.

8. Communications: Radio, nav aids and operation was satisfactory.

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Attachments - 2
Route Overlay
Target Coverage

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Distribution:

- #1 - D/SA
- #2 - D/O/OSA
- #3 - SSD/R&D/OSA
- #4 - INTEL/OSA
- #5 - D/M/OSA
- #6 - IDEA/OSA
- #7 - RB/OSA
- #8 - Holdback

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Overall interpretability was fair with 20% cloud cover.

Mission provided coverage of China Coastal Areas 3925N 12230E to 3853N 12108E. Photo interpretability ranges from poor to good.

CHINA TARGETS COVERED:

17 of 26 programmed targets covered
68 bonus COMIREX targets covered
14 bonus non-COMIREX targets covered

99 Total targets covered

(BREAKDOWN OF TARGETS BY CATEGORY)

4 SAM Sites	9 Military installations
1 Radar Site	2 Radio Communication centers
4 Coastal Defense Sites	4 Petroleum storage areas
19 Army Barracks	5 Military storage areas
17 Naval Bases	6 Industrial complexes
6 Port Facilities	5 Misc.
3 Shipyards	
14 Airfields	

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TARGET COVERAGE FOR IDEALIST TACKLE MISSION C198C, 7 Nov 1968

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(CHINA TARGETS)

COMIREX NO.	NAME OF INSTALLATION	INTERPRET ABILITY	REMARKS/WEATHER
1.	Hsin Chin A/F		not covered due to 100% cloud cover
2.	Hsin Chin Mil Complex	Poor	haze
3.	Hsin Chin A/F South		not covered due to 100% cloud cover
4.	Lu Ta Cheng Sha Ho A/F	Poor	scattered clouds
5.	Lu Ta Army Bks		not covered due to 100% cloud cover
6.	Lu Ta Complex	Poor	scattered clouds
7.	Lu Ta Shipyard		not covered due to 100% cloud cover
8.	Yen Tai A/F, South	Poor	haze
9.	Fu-Shan Army Bks, S.W.	Poor	haze
10.	Yen Tai Cruise Missile Site	Poor	haze
11.	Wei Hai Naval Base	Fair	clear
12.	Wen Teng Military Storage Area	Poor	haze
13.	Wen Teng A/F	Poor	haze
14.	Cheng Yang Army Bks	Poor	haze
15.	Ching Tao/Liu Ting A/F	Poor	haze
16.	Ching Tao A/F		not covered
17.	Ching Tao Bks Areas		not covered
18.	Ching Tao Naval Base		not covered
19.	Shanghai Shipyard Complex	Poor	haze
20.	Huaniao Island	Poor	clear
21.	Kouchi Island	Poor	clear
22.	Tai Shan Island Military Area	Fair	clear
23.	Shanghai/Ta Chan A/F	Fair	clear
24.	Pai huan Army Barracks		not covered
25.	Lu Chiao A/F	Poor	clear
26.	Fu Men Cheng Possible Electronics Site		not covered
	(BONUS COMIREX TARGETS)		
1.	Hsiao Ping Tao Submarine Base	Poor	haze
2.	Chi Mo Army Bks	Fair	clear
3.	Luta Sam Site C04-2 (ID only)	Poor	Scattered clouds
4.	Shanghai SAM Site A02-2 (ID only)	Poor	haze
5.	Chiu Jung-Cheng Prob Cstl Def Site (ID only)	Poor	haze
6.	Shanghai Sam Site B36-2 (ID only)	Poor	haze
7.	Shanghai Sam Site	Fair	clear

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(CHINA TARGETS)

COMIREX NO.	NAME OF INSTALLATION	INTERPRET- ABILITY	REMARKS/WEATHER
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8.	Luta Coastal Defense Site	Fair	clear
9.	Lu Shun Coastal Defense	Poor	clear
10.	Yang-ma Tao prob coastal def site	Poor	haze
11.	Shang Hai HF Communications (ID only)	Poor	haze
12.	Lu Ta/San Shih Li Pu Airfield (ID only)	Poor	haze
13.	Shang Hai/Chiang Wan Airfield	Poor	haze
14.	Tu Cheng Tzu Airfield	Poor	haze
15.	Shanghai/Lung Hua Airfield	Poor	haze
16.	Shanghai/Hung Chiao Airfield	Poor	clear
17.	Ning Po Airfield	Poor	haze
18.	Yen Tai Airfield Radar	Poor	haze
19.	Shanghai/Ta Chang Airfield (ID only)	Poor	haze
20.	Shanghai Port Fac. N. Wusung (ID only)	Poor	haze
21.	Shanghai Naval Base & Shipyard	Poor	haze
22.	Shanghai Naval Base Wusung (ID only)	Poor	haze
23.	Shanghai Port Fac. S Nan Shih	Poor	haze
24.	Lu Shun Naval Base & Shipyard	Poor	haze
25.	Ching Shan Naval Facility	Fair	clear
26.	Wen Chou Naval Facility East	Fair	clear
27.	Wen Chou Naval Base	Fair	clear
28.	Shanghai Port Facility	Poor	haze
29.	Lu Shun Naval & Port Facility	Poor	haze
30.	Kao Chiao Naval Facility	Poor	haze
31.	Shanghai Naval Hq. E	Poor	haze
32.	Lu Shun Submarine Base	Fair	clear
33.	Shanghai Naval & Shipyard	Poor	clear
34.	Shanghai Port Facility	Poor	haze
35.	Shanghai Naval Base	Fair	clear
36.	Shanghai Port Facility Central	Fair	haze
37.	Shanghai Shipyard Chung Hua	Fair	clear
38.	Wo Ching Tou Port Facilities	Fair	clear
39.	Chou Shan Naval Base	Fair	clear
40.	Chou Shan Naval Base & Shipyard	Poor	clear

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COMIREX NO.	NAME OF INSTALLATION	INTERPRET- ABILITY	REMARKS/WEATHER
41.	Liang Chia Tien Driver Tng	Poor	haze
42.	Chou Pu Army Bks North	Poor	clear
43.	Lu Shun Army Bks Ying Chiao	Fair	haze
44.	Chang Chia Tun Army Bks	Poor	haze
45.	Chi Mo Army Bks	Poor	haze
46.	Chi Mo Army Bks	Poor	clear
47.	Cheng Yang Hq 199 Inf. Div.	Poor	haze
48.	Chi Mo Army Bks. (ID only)	Poor	haze
49.	Tien Chih Army Bks. (ID only)	Poor	haze
50.	Lu Shun Army Bks.	Poor	haze
51.	Hai Men Hq. 16th BD Div. (ID only)	Poor	clear
52.	Chu Shan Army Bks.	Fair	clear
53.	Shui Shih Ying Army Bks.	Poor	haze
54.	Yen Tai Hq. 26th Army (ID only)	Poor	haze
55.	Chang Tu Shan Tao Army Bks.	Fair	clear
56.	Mou Ping Army Bks. West (ID only)	Poor	haze
57.	Ting Hai Hq. 64th Inf. Div.	Poor	haze
58.	Shih Tzu Lu Army Bks.	Fair	clear
59.	Kou Chi Shan Army Bks. (ID only)	Poor	clear
60.	Ting Hai Hq. 22nd Army & Bks.	Poor	haze
61.	Chin Hsien Ammo Depot (ID only)	Poor	haze
62.	Chin Hsien Ammo Depot Lo Feng (ID only)	Poor	haze
63.	Lu Shun Ammunition Depot	Poor	clear
64.	Shanghai Complex	Poor	haze
65.	Wen Chou Complex	Fair	clear
66.	Yen Tai Complex (ID only)	Poor	haze
67.	Lo Hua Island Special Area	Poor	clear
68.	Ta Lien Suspect Bo A CW Lab.	Fair	clear
	(BONUS TARGETS, non-COMIREX)		
1. 2138N12127E	Lu Chiao Airfield (ID only)	Poor	haze
2. 3733N12124E	Yen Tai Naval Fac. (ID only)	Poor	haze
3. 2841N12126E	Hai Men Boat Repair Yard	Poor	haze
4. 2758N 12046E	Wen Chou Pet Prod Sct SE.	Fair	clear

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